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TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5439
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ARGENTINA PROJECT (S200000044)
U.S. DEPT. OF STATE, A/RPS/IPS
Margaret P. Grafeld, Director
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E.O. 11652 N/A
TAGS SHUM, AR
SUBJECT ABDUCTED NUNS

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1. BUENOS AIRES HERALD REPORTED THAT MOTHER
SUPERIOR MARIE JOSEPHE, HEAD OF THE ROMAN
CATHOLIC INSTITUTE OF OVERSEAS MISSIONS HAD
SAID AT A PRESS CONFERENCE HER APRIL 19 THAT
SHE FINDS NO EVIDENCE TO CONVINCE HER THAT
SISTER ALICIA AND SISTER LEONIE--ABDUCTED
HERE DURING DECEMBER--ARE DEAD. MARIE JOSEPHE
ADDED, HOWEVER, THAT DURING HER VISIT HERE
SHE WAS UNABLE TO ESTABLISH WHAT MIGHT HAVE
BEEN THE NUNS FATE.

2. THE FRENCH AMBASSADOR HAS TOLD OUR AMBASSADOR
THAT DURING HER VISIT HERE OF SEVERAL WEEKS
MARIE JOSEPHE HAS LEFT NO STONE UNTURNED IN
TRACKING DOWN THIS MYSTERY.
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